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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

In response to the Office Action dated July 27, 2004, the Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the pending appeal and continued examination of the above-identified patent application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows.